

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-2 and 4-19 are pending in this application. Claim 3 has been previously canceled. Claims 14-19 have been added. This Third Preliminary Amendment is submitted to correct an error that was originally made in the Preliminary Amendment filed on June 22, 2006. More specifically, in the Preliminary Amendment filed on June 22, 2006, part of claim 13 and all of claims 14-19 were accidentally dropped from the Amendment. The present Preliminary Amendment reinstates the missing claims and amends claims 15-18 to remove multiple dependences. No new matter has been added.

Conclusion

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gerald M. Murphy, Jr. (Reg. No. 28,977) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

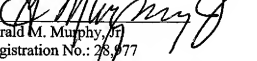
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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